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Subject: MICROSOFT SETTLEMENT

My wife and I feel that it was a disgraceful waste of taxpayer money to initiate an antitrust suit against Microsoft three years ago.

However, since a settlement exists that will finally end this case, we ask that you continue to support this settlement after the Tunney comment period.

Some competitors and a few in the government are trying to have this settlement withdrawn and Microsoft brought back to court until a finish to this case that satisfies them is reached. Those opposed to the settlement contend the settlement is not harsh enough against Microsoft. However, this settlement will cause Microsoft to disclose more formerly secret design code information than any computer company has ever disclosed to others.

Why, other than for selfish reasons, do opponents of the settlement think that this is inadequate? Why do they want to harm Microsoft?

Punishment of success is not the American way!

We urge you to ignore the anti-settlement argument.

Three years and millions of dollars later, this case should end now at the federal level.

America has suffered enough embarrassment over this politically-motivated case.

Sincerely,

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